

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A print control apparatus comprising:  
selecting means for selecting in which print  
mode printing is executed between a first print mode  
5 for drawing by setting a position that is away from a  
sheet edge by a specified offset to an origin and a  
second print mode for drawing by setting the sheet  
edge to the origin; and  
processing means for processing in the print  
10 mode selected by said selecting means.
2. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein  
said first print mode is a mode for coping with a  
specification of a conventional PDL.  
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3. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein  
said second print mode is a mode for coping with a  
specification of a new PDL.
- 20 4. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein  
said second print mode includes a mode for matching a  
drawing image with a center of an output sheet.
- 25 5. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein  
when said first print mode is selected by said  
selecting means, said processing means forms  
information indicative of the first mode and

information of a drawing position from said position  
that is away from the sheet edge by said specified  
offset and transmits said information to a printer,  
and when said second print mode is selected by said  
5 selecting means, said processing means forms  
information indicative of the second mode and  
information of a drawing position from said sheet  
edge and transmits said information to the printer.

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          a selecting step of selecting in which print  
mode printing is executed between a first print mode  
for drawing by setting a position that is away from a  
sheet edge by a specified offset to an origin and a  
15 second mode for drawing by setting the sheet edge to  
the origin; and

          a processing step of processing in the print  
mode selected in said selecting step.

20           7. A method according to claim 6, wherein said  
first print mode is a mode for coping with a  
specification of a conventional PDL.

          8. A method according to claim 6, wherein said  
25 second print mode is a mode for coping with a  
specification of a new PDL.

9. A method according to claim 6, wherein said second print mode includes a mode for matching a drawing image with a center of an output sheet.

5           10. A method according to claim 6, wherein in said processing step, when said first print mode is selected in said selecting step, information indicative of the first mode and information of a drawing position from said position that is away from  
10 the sheet edge by said specified offset are formed and transmitted to a printer, and when said second print mode is selected in said selecting step, information indicative of the second mode and information of a drawing position from said sheet  
15 edge are formed and transmitted to the printer.

11. A print system comprising:

          instructing means for instructing in which print mode printing is executed between a first print  
20 mode for drawing by setting a position that is away from a sheet edge by a specified offset to an origin and a second print mode for drawing by setting the sheet edge to the origin; and

          selecting means for selecting in which print  
25 mode the printing is executed between the first print mode for drawing by setting the position that is away from the sheet edge by the specified offset to the

origin and the second print mode for drawing by  
setting the sheet edge to the origin; and

printing means for printing in the print mode  
selected by said selecting means.

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12. A system according to claim 11, wherein  
said instructing means includes a printer driver,  
said selecting means includes a printer controller,  
and said printing means includes a print engine.

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13. A program product comprising:

a selecting step of selecting in which print  
mode printing is executed between a first print mode  
for drawing by setting a position that is away from a  
15 sheet edge by a specified offset to an origin and a  
second print mode for drawing by setting the sheet  
edge to the origin; and

a processing step of processing in the print  
mode selected in said selecting step.

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14. A product according to claim 13, wherein  
said first print mode is a mode for coping with a  
specification of a conventional PDL.

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15. A product according to claim 13, wherein  
said second print mode is a mode for coping with a  
specification of a new PDL.

16. A product according to claim 13, wherein said second print mode includes a process for matching a drawing image with a center of an output sheet.

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17. A product according to claim 13, wherein in said processing step, when said first print mode is selected in said selecting step, information indicative of the first mode and information of a drawing position from said position that is away from the sheet edge by said specified offset are formed and transmitted to a printer, and when said second print mode is selected in said selecting step, information indicative of the second mode and information of a drawing position from said sheet edge are formed and transmitted to the printer.

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18. A product according to claim 13, wherein in said program includes a printer driver program.

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